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Hambourg, January 7, N. S.

THE Poſt Waggon from Lubeck was robbed laſt Week of ſeveral Hundred Pounds, which it is ſuppoſed was effected by making the Poſtilion drunk at the Place where it put up the Night before it reached Hambourg: And as ſuch Kind of Thefts are ſeldom heard of in theſe Parts, ſtrict Search is making for diſcovering it. Two Jews, who were Paſſengers, are ſuſpected, and the Poſt Boy is taken into Arreſt.

Hague, Jan. 24, N. S. The Prince Stadtholder aſſiſted this Morning at the Aſſembly of the States General, and delivered to their High Mightineſſes a Plan for the Reduction of their Troops. We hear from Leeuwarden, that the States of Frieſland having conſidered that the Revenues of the Little Seal brought in conſiderable Sums, and were not very burthenſome to the People, had iſſued (by the Prince Stadtholder's Advice) a Placart, by which they order, that thoſe Duties ſhall be again levied by Collectors, and not farmed out as formerly. By a ſecond Placart, the Poll-Tax, Chimney-Tax, Land-Tax, and the Taxes upon Horned Cattle and Horſes, are likewiſe ordered to be re-eſtabliſhed, and levied by Collectors every Six Months. They have alſo iſſued another Placart, for making good the Revenues loſt by the Abolition of the Farms, on the Neceſſaries of Life; according to which Placart all Perſons (except thoſe who ſhall be proved abſolutely unable to pay) are to be taxed in Proportion to the Quantity of thoſe Commodities which they uſually conſume. This Tax is to be regulated by an impartial Perſon, who has been named for that Purpoſe by the Prince Stadtholder; and the Sum order'd to be raiſed thereby, is fixed at 900,000 Florins for the leaſt; which is thought to be pretty near equal to the Produce of the aboliſhed Farms in the Province of Frieſland. It is likewiſe Enacted, that the firſt Payment of this Tax ſhall be made on or before the 1ſt of May, and ſhall comprehend the Months of January, February, March and April; and after that Term, the Payments are to be made Monthly, till the 1ſt of May 1750.

Whitehall, January 17.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto Sir Edward Lawrence, of St. Ives in the County of Huntingdon, Knight, and in Default of Iſſue Male, to his Nephew Iſaac Woollaſton, of Lowesby, in the County of Leiceſter, Eſq; the Dignity of a Baronet of the Kingdom of Great Britain.

Whitehall, January 14, 1748-9.

Whereas it has been repreſented to his Majeſty, that divers Burglaries, Outrages, and Diſorders have lately been committed within the Pariſh of St. Paul, Covent Garden, particularly, a Burglary in Southampton-ſtreet, on Sunday Morning laſt, about Three o'Clock, when the Dwelling Houſe of Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips was broke open by Perſons armed, and ſome valuable Things were taken away: And whereas two of the Watchmen of the ſaid Pariſh were wounded in a very dangerous Manner, by endeavouring to apprehend the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Burglary: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Burglary and Robbery, is pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices therein, ſo that he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

BEDFORD.

St. Paul, Covent Garden, Jan. 14, 1748.

And the Inhabitants of this Pariſh have reſolved, and do hereby promiſe a Reward of Twenty Guineas (over and above the Reward allowed by Act of Parliament) for a Diſcovery of the Perſon or Perſons who committed the ſaid Burglary, ſo that he or they may be legally convicted thereof. Or if any of the Perſons concerned therein will diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices, ſo that he or they may be convicted, he ſhall receive the like Reward from Mr. Alexander Gage, Treaſurer of the Watch Board of the ſaid Pariſh, at his Houſe in Bedford Court.

And as a further Encouragement for ſuch Diſcoveries, and to bring the Offenders to Juſtice, the ſaid Inhabitants do hereby promiſe a further Reward of Twenty Guineas, (over and above the Allowance by Act of Parliament) for a Diſcovery of one or more Perſon or Perſons guilty of, or concerned in any Burglary that ſhall be committed in the ſaid Pariſh within the Space of four Months next enſuing, to be paid by the Treaſurer above-named, ſo ſoon as he, ſhe or they ſhall be legally convicted thereof.

By Order,

Jn° Spranger, *Veſtry Clerk.*

Whitehall, January 10, 1748-9.

Whereas it has been repreſented to the King, That Richard Hawkins, late of Yapton in the County of Suſſex, Labourer, being, ſome Time in the Month of January laſt, at Work in a Barn near the ſaid Pariſh, was forcibly taken from thence by Jeremiah Curtis, alias Butler, late of Hawkhurſt in the County of Kent, and John Mills, alias Smoaker, of Trotton in the County of Suſſex, Labourer, and was by them carried into a Back Room in the Dog and Partridge Alehouſe on Slinden Common; where Thomas Winter alias Coachman, alias Kentiſh Coachman, of Poſſing near Hythe, in the County of Kent, Farmer; and a Perſon called Rob, otherwiſe Little Fat Back, Servant to Jere. Curtis, which ſaid Rob lives at or near East Grinſtead, and is Brother to a Perſon living there, known by the Name of the Cackler, were waiting for them: In which Room they detained the ſaid Richard Hawkins till about Twelve o'Clock at Night; when the ſaid Jeremiah Curtis, John Mills, Rob, and Thomas Winter went away, and took with them the ſaid Richard Hawkins; who was not afterwards ſeen or heard of till his Body was found in a Pond in Parham Park, in the ſaid County of Suſſex: That the Coroner's Inqueſt having ſat upon the ſaid Body, found it to be the Body of the ſaid Richard Hawkins, and brought in their Verdict, Wilful Murder by Perſons unknown.

And

And whereas it has been further represented to the King, That several Murders, Burglaries and Robberies have been lately committed in the County of Suffex; and that there is the ſtrongeſt Reaſon to believe, that the ſaid Jeremiah Curtis, John Mills, Rob, and Thomas Winter, were the Authors of the ſaid Murder: His Majeſty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Juſtice the aboveſaid Perſons, as well as for diſcouraging ſuch horrid and barbarous Outreges, is pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any Perſon who ſhall apprehend, or, by giving Information, ſhall cauſe to be apprehended, ſo as he or they be convicted thereof, any one or more of the ſaid Offenders; notwithſtanding the Perſon making ſuch Diſcovery ſhall now ſtand outlawed for not having ſurrendred himſelf to Juſtice, purſuant to Notice given in the London Gazette; provided that ſuch Perſon ſhall not appear to have been concerned in the aboveſaid Murder, or any other Murder; or to have been concern'd in the breaking open his Majeſty's Warehouſe at Pool.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Cuſtom-Houſe, London, Jan. 10, 1748.

And as a further Encouragement for bringing the Offenders to Juſtice, the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms do hereby promiſe a Reward of Fifty Pounds for the diſcovering and apprehending each of the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Murder; to be paid by the Receiver General of the Cuſtoms upon the Conviction of each Offender reſpectively.

By Order of the Commiſſioners,
William Wood, *Secr.*

N. B. Thomas Winter is apprehended, and is now in his Majeſty's Goal of Newgate in London.

London, Jan. 16, 1748.

General-Poſt-Office.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy bringing the Swaffham Mail, from that Town to Thetford, on Saturday laſt, the 14*th Inſtant, was attacked on the Highway, at a Place called Bodney, between Swaffham and Thetford, in the County of Norfolk, by two Highwaymen on Horſeback, who carried off the Letters contained in the* Rougham, Holkham, Wells *and* Fakenham *Bags, and alſo the Letters from ſeveral other Towns and Places in the* Thetford Branch: *The Perſons who committed this Robbery are deſcribed to be both ſtout Men, and one of them was mounted on a light grey Horſe, and the other on a Brown one. He on the Grey Horſe was dreſſed in a Gold-laced light colour'd Waiſtcoat with a Great Coat over the ſame, and he on the Brown one, wore a compleat Soldier's Dreſs, with Gold Button Holes.*

This is therefore to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſons, or either of them who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Perſon, or Perſons, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, do, or ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby the Perſons, or either of them, who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer or Diſcoverers will, upon Conviction of both, or either of the ſaid Robbers, be intituled to the ſame Reward of* Two Hundred Pounds, *and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſt maſter General,
George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

London, Dec. 2, 1748.

General Poſt-Office.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy, bringing the Weſt Mail from Andover to Baſingſtoke, was laſt Night, between the Hours of Seven and Eight, attacked on the Highway, about a Quarter of a Mile on this Side of a Place called Clarken Green, which is near Four Miles diſtant from Baſingſtoke in the County of Southampton, by a ſingle Highwayman, who carried off the Letters contained in the following Bags, viz. The two Exeter *Bags,* Shaftsbury, Aſhburton, Truro, Barnſtaple, Launceſton, Weymouth, Camelford, Bodmin, Totneſs, Ilcheſter, Dorcheſter, Somerton, Yeovil, *and* Blandford.

This is to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, of whom no particular Deſcription is as yet come to Hand, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Perſon or Perſons, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon, who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer or Diſcoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intitled to the ſame Reward of* Two Hundred Pounds, *and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſt-Maſter-General,
George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

General Poſt-Office, December 17, 1748.

His Majeſty's Poſt-Maſter General, for the farther Improvement of Correſpondence, having been pleaſed to order, that Letters ſhall, for the future, be conveyed by the Poſt ſix Days in every Week, inſtead of Three Days, as at preſent, between London *and* Chippingnorton, Eveſham, Worceſter, Bromſgrove *and* Birmingham, *with the intermediate Places, and that thoſe Letters, on the three additional Poſt Days, ſhall be conveyed through* OXFORD: *And likewiſe, that Letters ſhall, for the future, be conveyed by the Poſt ſix Days in every Week, inſtead of three Days, as at preſent, between* London *and* Wells, Bridgwater, Taunton, Wellington, Tiverton *and* Exeter, *and that theſe Letters, on the three additional Poſt Days, ſhall be conveyed through* BRISTOL.

And the Poſt-Maſter General having alſo been pleaſed to order a new Branch to be erected between Salisbury *and* Axminſter, *through the Towns of* Blandford, Dorcheſter, Bridport *and* Lyme, *by which Means the Correſpondence between* London *and thoſe Places, together with the Towns of* Weymouth, Wareham, *and* Corfe-Caſtle, *and alſo their Correſpondence with the Trading-Towns in* Devonſhire *and* Cornwall, *as well as with* Bath, *and* Briſtol, *will be conſiderably quickened and improved.*

Publick Notice is hereby given, that theſe ſeveral additional Conveyances will commence upon Monday the 26*th of this Inſtant December, at which Time the preſent Stage between* Crewkerne *and* Bridport, *together with that between* Shaftsbury *and* Blandford, *will be diſcontinued.*

And whereas great Numbers of Letters have hitherto been privately collected and delivered at the ſeveral Towns and Stages abovementioned, contrary to Law, and to the great Prejudice of the Revenue of the Poſt-Office; All Carriers, Coachmen, Watermen, Wherrymen, Diſperſers of Country News Papers, and all other Perſons whatſoever, hereafter detected in the illegal collecting or delivering of Letters, will be proſecuted with the utmoſt Severity.

N. B. The Penalty is Five Pounds for every Letter collected or delivered contrary to Law, and One Hundred Pounds for every Week ſuch Practice is continued.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter-General,
Geo. Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

General Poſt Office, December 31, 1748.

Publick Notice is hereby given, That the Correſpondence, by Letters, between theſe Kingdoms and the Auſtrian Netherlands, is now opened by the Way of Oſtend, and that the firſt Mail for Flanders will be forwarded from this Office upon Monday the 9*th Day of the next Month of January, and will continue for the future to go out from hence upon the Monday and Friday of every Week, as uſual, heretofore in former Times of Peace.*

By Command of the Poſt Maſter General,
Geo. Shelvocke, *Sec.*

Navy-Office, Jan. 13, 1748.

The Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Navy give Notice, that there is in the Hands of the Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Navy, Money to pay the Intereſt due the 31ſt of December 1748, on Navy and Tranſport Bills regiſter'd between the 1ſt of January 1746, and the 30th of June 1748; That all Perſons poſſeſſed of ſuch Bills, may at any Time carry them to the Treaſurer's Office in Broad-ſtreet, and receive the Intereſt due thereon, and have the ſame wrote off upon the Bills.

Victualling-Office, Jan. 13, 1748.

The Commiſſioners for Victualling his Majeſty's Navy give Notice, that there is in the Hands of the Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Navy, Money to pay the Intereſt due the 31ſt of December 1748. on Victualling Bills regiſtred between the 1ſt of January 1746, and 30th of June 1748, that Perſons poſſeſſed of ſuch Bills may at any Time carry them to the Treaſurer's Office in Broad-ſtreet, and receive the Intereſt due thereon, and have the ſame wrote off upon the Bills.

This is to give Notice to the Officers and Companies of his Majeſty's Ships Prince Frederick, Centurion, Monmouth, Windſor, Auguſta, and Glouceſter, that they may receive their Shares of Prize-Money for the Elizabeth Sloop, taken by his Majeſty's Ship Prince Frederick, Harry Norris, Eſq; Commander, at the Houſe of Pentecoſt Barker, in Plymouth, on Wedneſday the 1ſt of February next, where Notice will be given of the Time and Place of Recalls.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Companies of his Majeſty's Ships undermentioned, being the Squadron under the Command of Rear-Admiral Hawke, at Taking Six French Men of War on the 14th of October 1747. that they will be paid their reſpective Shares of Seventy Thouſand Pounds, (the Produce of the Hulls, Stores, and Goods of ſuch of the ſaid Prizes as have been already ſold) at the King's Arms upon Tower-Hill, on the Days expreſt againſt each Ship's Name, beginning at Nine of the Clock in the Morning, viz.

Devonſhire,	*Monday*	*February*	6,	1748.
Monmouth,	*Tueſday*	*February*	7,	
Kent,	*Wedneſday*	*February*	8,	
Edinburgh,	*Thurſday*	*February*	9,	
Yarmouth,	*Tueſday*	*February*	14,	
Lyon,	*Wedneſday*	*February*	15,	
Nottingham,	*Thurſday*	*February*	16,	
Eagle,	*Friday*	*February*	17,	
Princeſs Louiſa,	*Tueſday*	*February*	21,	
Defiance,	*Wedneſday*	*February*	22,	
Windſor,	*Thurſday*	*February*	23,	
Portland,	*Friday*	*February*	24,	
Tilbury,	*Tueſday*	*February*	28,	
Glouceſter,	*Wedneſday*	*March*	1,	
Hector, Shoreham,	*Thurſday*	*March*	2,	
Dolphin Fireſhip, Vulcan Fireſhip, Weazle Sloop,	*Friday*	*March*	3,	

N. B. *The ſaid Ships will be recalled at the ſame Place the third Wedneſday and Thurſday in every Month, beginning the 18th and 19th of April next.*

The Right Hon. the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury having appointed Money for paying of Half Pay to Sea-Officers, from the 31ſt of December, 1747, to the 30th of June 1748, according to his Majeſty's Eſtabliſhment on that Behalf;

Theſe are to give Notice, that the ſaid Payment will begin to be made at the Treaſurer of the Navy's Office in Broad Street, at Nine of the Clock in the Morning, the following Days, to wit, on Wedneſday the 1ſt of February next for Captains, Thurſday the 2d for Lieutenants, and Friday the 3d for Maſters and Surgeons, that all Perſons concerned may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavit required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid the ſaid Half Pay, but alſo produce Certificates that they have ſubſcribed to the Teſt, and taken the Oaths required by Act of Parliament to his preſent Majeſty. And in Caſe any of the ſaid Sea Officers ſhall not be able to attend themſelves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpoſe, that the ſaid Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Perſons they are employed by. Dated at the Navy Office the 16th of January 1748.

Advertiſements.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Rowland Frogmere, Eſq; late Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the Boyne, deceaſed, are, on or before the 2d Day of March next peremptorily to come in and prove their Debts before Francis Eld, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane, London, or in Default thereof, they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Thomas Stock, late of Chicknall St. James in the County of Eſſex, Clerk, deceaſed, are hereby peremptorily required to come in and prove their Debts before Samuel Burroughs, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Chancery-Lane, on or before Wedneſday the 8th Day of February next, or in Default thereof, they will be abſolutely excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of William Wildbore, late Citizen and Goldſmith of London, deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts before Richard Edwards, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Chancery-Lane, on or before the 13th of February next, or in Default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

THE Creditors of Lomax Lewis, late of Ainſworth in the County of Lancaſter, Chapman, who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt him, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of his Eſtate, on the 9th of February next, at Richard Robinſon's, the King's Head in Salford in the ſaid County, at Two in the Afternoon, in order to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity touching the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, or to their ſubmitting to Arbitration any Difference or Diſpute relating thereto, or otherwiſe to compound or agree the ſame, and on other ſpecial Affairs relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate.

TO be ſold, entire or in Parcels, by the Truſtees under an Act of Parliament, Divers Freehold Meſſuages, Farms, Tenements and Lands, late the Eſtates of his Grace the Duke of Chandos, (a very ſmall Part being Copyhold and Leaſehold) in Great Stanmore, Little Stanmore otherwiſe Whitchurch, Edgware, Kingsbury and Willſden in the County of Middleſex, and in Rioge in the County of Hertford of 1300 l. yearly, or thereabouts. For Particulars enquire at Mr. Howell's (one of the Truſtees) Chambers in Lincoln's Inn.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Jeremy Vickers, of Leeds in the County of York, Stuff Weaver and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 4th, 6th and 28th of February next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon on each of the ſaid Days, at the Houſe of John Vaill, ſituate in Leeds in the ſaid County of York, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupt is required to finiſh his Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Robert Maddock, late of the City of Cheſter, Linnendraper, intend to meet on the 9th of February next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Mr. Richard Fardell, known by the Name of the Roſe Tavern in the City of Cheſter, in order to make a Second Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE